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ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

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Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation, No. 1, Queen's Road East, Hongkong, February 15, 1879.

## NOTICE.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.

THE AGENCY of this BANK at Foochow will be CLOSED and WITHDRAWN from 1st July next.

CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS and FIXED DEPOSIT RECEIPTS will be PAID there AT ONCE with INTEREST to Date, or transferred to this Branch at the Exchange of the Day at the option of Constituents.

GEO. O. SCOTT, p. Manager.

Oriental Bank Corporation, Hongkong, May 28, 1879.

COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPT DE PARIS.

(Incorporated 7th & 18th March, 1848.)

RECOGNISED by the INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION of 30th April, 1862.

CAPITAL FULLY PAID-UP, £3,200,000.

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AGENCIES and BRANCHES at:

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The Hongkong Agency receives Fixed Deposits on Terms to be ascertained on application, grants Drafts and Credits on all parts of the World, and transacts every description of Banking Exchange business.

E. G. VOUILLEMONT, Manager, Shanghai.

Hongkong, May 20, 1879.

## Banks.

CHARTERED MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LONDON & CHINA. (Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

THE following Rates of Interest are allowed on FIXED DEPOSITS:—

For 12 months, 5 per cent. per annum. " 6 " 4 per cent. " 3 " 2 per cent. "

H. H. NELSON, Manager.

Hongkong, May 31, 1879.

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRAlia, AND CHINA.

CAPITAL, £800,000. RESERVE FUND, £150,000.

Bankers, THE BANK OF ENGLAND.

THE CITY BANK.

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THE BANK'S BRANCH in HONGKONG grants Drafts on London and the Chief Commercial places in Europe and the East; buys and receives for collection Bills of Exchange, and conducts all kinds of Banking and Exchange Business.

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On CURRENT ACCOUNTS, 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

On FIXED DEPOSITS. For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum. " 12 " 4 per cent. " 5 per cent. "

## Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

M. R. CARL STIEBEL is authorized from this Date to SIGN our Firm by Procuration here, at Shanghai and at Yokohama.

REISS & Co. Hongkong, May 29, 1879. ju29

NOTICE.

Mr. CHARLES VINCENT SMITH is admitted a Partner from This Date.

RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, January 1, 1879. ju1

NOTICE.

Mr. CHAN HING WO in our Firm CEASED on the 21st day of January, 1879.

MAN FOOK SING HONG, 60 and 62, Bonham Strand, Hongkong, June 6, 1879. ju6

NOTICE.

M. R. NGAN FOOK HOP was admitted a PARTNER in our Firm on the 22nd day of January, 1879.

MAN FOOK SING HONG, 60 and 62, Bonham Strand, Hongkong, June 6, 1879. ju6

NOTICE.

M. R. JAMES ANDERSON, formerly Manager of the Foochow Docks, has this Day been admitted a Partner in our Firm.

J. INGLIS & Co., Victoria Foundry, Wan Chai. Hongkong, April 1, 1879. ju8

NOTICE.

JULES MUMM & Co.'S CHAMPAGNE, in Quarts and Pints.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co. Hongkong, May 26, 1879.

SELLING OFF.

As it is necessary to effect a COMPLETE CLEARANCE by the end of the present month, the whole of LAMMERT ATKINSON & Co.'s REMAINING VARIED STOCK, comprising:

FAMILY-STORES.

WINES.

SPIRITS.

ALCOHOL.

STATIONERY.

ELECTRO-PLATED WARE.

GLASSWARE.

CROCKERY.

SHIPCHANDLERY, &c., &c., &c.

Will be sold at FURTHER GREATLY REDUCED PRICES.

Hongkong, June 4, 1879.

## For Sale.

C. L. THEVENIN, WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANT, BORDEAUX, BOURGOGNES AND CHAMPAGNES of the best quality.

PINAUD'S PERFUMERY. ANTOINE'S INKS.

FRENCH BOOTS AND SHOES, &c., &c., &c.

Hongkong, June 6, 1879. ju20

## FOR SALE.

(To close Consignment.)

A few Cases RUINART'S well-known CHAMPAGNE, at \$10 per Case of.....1 dozen Quarts, \$11 per Case of.....2 Pints.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. Hongkong, June 17, 1879. ju17

## Auctions.

GENERAL WEEKLY SALE.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction, in their Sales Rooms, Praya, on

FRIDAY,

the 20th Instant, at Noon, A Large Assortment of SILBER-LIGHT LAMPS, in Bronze, French Porcelain, Bohemian Glass, &c., with the latest burner.

Silk Umbrellas, Undershirts, Albums, Steel Files, York Hams, Californian Butter, tin. Galvanized Iron Piping, Claret, &c.

8 dozen SUPERIOR SHERRY. SUNDRY HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c., &c.

Hongkong, June 17, 1879. ju20

## NOTICE.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR 1878.

SHAREHOLDERS in the above Office are Requested to furnish the Undersigned with a List of THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS for the Year ending 31st December, 1878, in order that the Distribution of the PROFITS Reserved for CONTRIBUTORs may be arranged. Returns not rendered prior to the 30th JUNE Next will be Adjusted by the OFFICE, and no Claims or Alterations will be subsequently admitted.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Agents.

Hongkong, 14th May, 1879. ju30

## NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES, PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship "TIBER," Commandant REYNIER, will be despatched for YOKOHAMA shortly after the arrival of the next French Mail.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, June 17, 1879.

## NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES, PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship

"DJEMNAH," Commandant LUNAT, will be despatched for SHANGHAI shortly after her arrival from Europe.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, June 17, 1879.

## Intimations.

HYDROGRAPHIC NOTICE.

APPROACHES TO HONGKONG—TYTAMI CHANNEL.

POSITION OF DANGER.

Lat. 21° 57' 30" N. Long. 114° 07' 50" E.

Left Extreme Tytami Island, N. 30° W.

Right Extreme do. S. 58° E.

Least Water on the Rock (reduced to low Water Spring) 18 feet.

CLEARING MARKS.

No Vessel should stand to the North-

ward of a line joining the S.E. point of

Yacht Island with the centre of Guyane

Island (bearing respectively from each other N. 67° E. and S. 67° W.) until

Ehau Head opens clear of S.W. point of

Tytami Island bearing N. 4° W.

This Rock is about 60 feet Long East

and West, and 20 feet North and South.

Between the Rock and the Island the

## Intimations.

## NEWS FOR HOME.

## The Overland China Mail.

(The oldest Overland Paper in China.)  
PUBLISHED AT THE "CHINA MAIL" OFFICE  
IN TIME FOR THE ENGLISH MAIL.

Containing from 72 to 84 columns of closely  
printed matter.

HIS Mail Summary is compiled from the Daily China Mail, is published twice a month on the morning of the English Mail's departure, and is a record of each fortnight's current history of events in China and Japan, contributed in original reports and collated from the journals published at the various ports in those Countries.

It contains Shipping news from Shanghai, Hongkong, Canton, &c., and a complete Commercial Summary.

Subscription, 50 cents per Copy (postage paid 56 cents), \$12 per annum (postage paid \$13.60).

Orders should be sent to GEO. MURRAY, BAIN, China Mail Office, 2, Wyndham Street, not later than the evening before the departure of the English Mail Steamer.

Terms of Advertising, same as in Daily China Mail.

## Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crews of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:

GOLDEN FLEECE, British barque, Capt. James Wiltshire.—Vogel & Co.

ALEXA, British barque, Captain George Robb.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

JOHN R. STANHOPE, American barque, Capt. H. G. Pillsbury.—Arnold, Karberg & Co.

BRUNETTE, British barque, Capt. Wm. Dow.—G. R. Stevens & Co.

MIRIAM, American barque, Captain A. H. Parker.—Adamson, Bell & Co.

SCOTLAND, British steamer—Captain Wm. Atkinson.—Adamson, Bell & Co.

VIGILANT, American ship, Capt. John C. Ross.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

G. C. TRUFAUT, British ship, Captain G. Thomas.—Messageries Maritimes.

MONT ROSE, American ship, Capt. O. O. Carter.—Borneo Co., Ltd.

GALLEY OF LORNE, British steamer, Capt. J. L. Dryden.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

## FOR YOKOHAMA &amp; HIODO.

The British Steamer  
"HARTER,"  
Capt. BRANTHWAITE, will be  
despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 20th instant, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, June 18, 1870. jn20

FOR HOIHOW AND HAIPHONG.  
(Taking Cargo and Passengers at through  
rates for BANOL)

The Departure of the S. S.  
"ATLANTA,"  
for the above Ports, has been  
POSTPONED until SATURDAY, the 21st instant, at 7 a.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
MEYER & Co.,  
Hongkong, June 18, 1870. jn21

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from Messrs DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co., to sell by Public Auction, (if not previously disposed of by Private Contract),—

The British Iron Screw Steamship  
"HINDOSTAN,"

of 991 Tons Register, and 1,300 Tons Measurement carrying capacity. On Board the Steamer, on

## TUESDAY,

the 24th instant, at 2.30 p.m.

TERMS OF SALE.—Half of the Purchase Money to be paid on the fall of the hammer, and the Balance on due transfer of the Vessel.

The Steamer to be at Purchaser's risk and expense on the fall of the hammer.

For further Particulars, apply at the Office of Messrs David Sassoon, Sons & Co.

H. N. MODY,  
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, June 18, 1870. jn24

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNERS.

CONSIGNERS of the following Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for counter-signature, and take immediate delivery. This Cargo has been landed and stored at their risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Ex Yangtze,  
Order, 1 case Haberdashery, from London.

AME (in diamond) { Ncs. 10/17, Or. 20/23,  
T. J. { Flannel, from London.

LBC 224, 1 case Merchandise.

M M 2 drums Paint Oil.

B No. 18, 1 case Merchandise.

Ex 4/24.

M F (in diamond) { 24, 1 case Buttons,  
B. { from London.

VSC 26, 1 case Billiards, from London.

MMK (in diamond) { 1, 1 case Woollens,  
S S C. { from London.

G. DE CHAMPAUX,  
Agent.

Hongkong, June 18, 1870.

## To-day's Advertisements.

## NOTICE TO MARINERS.

No. 102.

## CHINA SEA.

## RIVER MIN.—FOOCHOW DISTRICT.

## AYMAR ROCK BUOY.

NOTICE is hereby given that, in July next, a Red and Black CHEQUERED NUN BUOY, 6 feet in Diameter and without a Cage, will be used to Mark the AYMAR ROCK during the temporary Removal for painting of the present Buoy.

By order of the Inspector-General of Customs,

DAVID M. HENDERSON,  
Engineer-in-Chief.

Imperial Maritime Customs,  
Engineer's Office,  
Shanghai, 10th June, 1870. jn25

## FROM LONDON &amp; PORTS OF CALL.

THE Steamship Harter having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Undersigned, whence and/or from the Wharf or Boats delivery may be obtained.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 24th instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, June 18, 1870. jn24

## NOTICE.

HONGKONG COMMERCIAL EX-  
CHANGE.

THE EXCHANGE ROOMS in MARINE House, Queen's Road Central, are Open Daily for the use of MEMBERS from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Special Days—TUESDAYS and FRIDAYS, from 12 to 12.30 and 4 to 4.30 p.m.

Applications for admission as Members to be addressed to E. GEORGE,

Secretary.

Hongkong, June 18, 1870.

## SHIPPING.

## ARRIVALS.

June 17, Auguste, Dutch ship, 1308, H. Th. Lange, Saigon June 8, Rice.—EDUARD SCHELLHAAS & Co.

June 17, Paladin, British steamer, 897, Geo. Parker, Saigon June 18, Rice.—ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

June 17, Harter, British steamer, 1198, Branthwaite, London April 30, via ports of call, and Singapore, General—GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

June 18, 10 a.m., Fuyew, Chinese str., 920, Croad, Shanghai June 14, 6 a.m., General—C. M. S. N. Co.

June 18, H. M. S. gunboat Lily, 720, Comdr. Cochran, Foochow June 11, and Amoy 16.

June 18, H. M. S. Tyne, British transport, 3020, 2 guns, John E. Stokes, Plymouth and Singapore June 11, 9 p.m.

June 18, N. N., Dutch 3-m. schooner, 176, J. Duyndenboot, Kendari May 1, Ratnas—EDUARD SCHELLHAAS & Co.

June 18, Crusader, British steamer, 647, Thomas Rowin, Saigon June 13, Rice and Fish—CAPTAIN.

June 18, Antenor, British steamer, 1641, H. Jones, Penang June 16, and Singapore 11, General—BUTTERFIELD & SWINE.

June 18, Douglas, British steamer, 864, M. Young, Foochow June 14, Amoy 16, and Swatow 17, General—DOUGLAS LA-  
PAK & Co.

June 18, Glamis Castle, British steamer, 1675, Grey, Panarthy May 9, Port Said 22, and Suez 24, Coal.—ADAMSON, BELL & CO.

DEPARTURES.

June 18, Scotland, for Saigon.

18, Yotung, for Swatow.

18, Registre, for Sool.

18, Deutschland, for Guam.

18, Namo, for Coast Ports.

18, Washi, for Ichinow.

18, Fuyew, for Canton.

18, City of Peking, for Yokohama and San Francisco.

18, Churruca, for Manila.

CLEARED.

Caribrook, for Swatow.

18, for Amoy, &c.

Edward May, for New York.

18, for Bangkok.

18, for Manila.

18, for Congon.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per Harter, from London, Mr and Mrs E. Flint Killey for Yokohama, and 24 Chinese from Straits for Hongkong.

Per Fuyew, from Shanghai, Mr and Mrs and Master Teeng Liason, Mrs Croad, child and servant, and 64 Chinese.

Per Douglas, from Coast Ports, Messrs Bird and Phillip, 114 Chinese, and 1 European.

Per Paladin, from Saigon, 52 Chinese.

Per Crusader, from Saigon, 17 Chinese.

Per Antenor, from Penang and Singapore, 286 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per Namo, for Foochow, Mr G. Baux.

Per Washi, for Ichinow, Mr Herton, and 6 Chinese.

Per City of Peking, for San Francisco, Mrs Chua Akam, Messrs J. G. Austin, J. S. Harper, and W. Cartwright, 8 Europeans, and 375 Chinese; for Yokohama, 1 European.

Per Churruca, for Manila, Mr J. G. T. Child.

Per Yotung, for Swatow, 18 Chinese.

Per Scotland, for Saigon, 210 Chinese.

To Depart.

Per Caribrook, for Amoy, 12 Chinese.

Per 18, for Amoy, &c. 80 Chinese.

Per Edward May, for New York, 3 Europeans.

Per Ban Lee, for Bangkok, 1 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer Paladin reports:

Fine weather throughout.

The Chinese steamer Fuyew reports:

First part moderate breeze with fog to Pih-

shan, from Conson to Chapel Island equally

with heavy rain, thence to port moderate

winds and fine weather.

## SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer Crusader reports: Moderate South-westerly winds and fine weather throughout, with the exception of heavy thunder storm on Monday night.

The British steamer Antenor reports:

Left Penang at 5 p.m., on the 6th June, and arrived at Singapore June 8th, on the morning of the same day passed the S. S. Glenarney bound West. Left Singapore June 11th, and met the S. S. Glenarney entering port. Up the China Sea had light Southerly winds with fine clear weather.

The British steamer Douglas reports:

Left Foochow on Saturday the 14th June, Amoy 16th, and Swatow 17th. Leaving Foochow experienced fresh S.W. winds with much rain. From Amoy to Swatow light variable winds with incessant rain. Hence to port moderate S.W. and S.S.W. winds with fine clear weather. Passed S. S. Yotung off Ninepin bound East. In Foochow: S. S. Glenarney, Brisban, Teviot, Syria, Merionethshire, Ben Gloc, Killarney, Braemar Castle, Monarch, and ship Black Prince. In Amoy: H. M. S. Lily, U. S. Ranger, C. R. O. Ling Feng, and H. L. G. M. Cyclop. In Swatow: S. S. Conquer, Ben fleet, Hochung, Chefoo, and C. R. O. Feihoo.

For BANGKOK.—

The cases at the Police Court to-day were nearly all devoid of public interest; there were two cases for selling prepared opium without a license, in which the defendants were fined \$15 and \$10 respectively. Two gambling houses were entered by the police, the one at No. 206 Hollywood Road and the other at No. 6 Pound Lane—twelve men were arrested in the former house and fourteen in the latter. Four were fined the full penalty of \$200 each, with the alternative of six months' hard labour; two were fined \$50, one \$10; two were discharged, and the remainder, the dupes, were fined \$1 each. The infliction of the full penalty of \$200 in all cases where men are found frequenting a gambling house might have a healthy effect.

Messrs Lane, Crawford & Co. are now showing a very pretty copy, in *terra-cotta*, of one of the most happy hits and the most popular and universally admired pieces of sculpture that appeared in the Paris Exhibition—“You Dirty Boy.” The subject is so extremely simple, and prosaic in its nature (a grandmotherly matron washing a little boy’s face) that one is puzzled at first to account for it as emphatically becoming the rage; but the idea is so full of humour and it is so faithfully represented that in every household at home “You Dirty Boy” confronts you at every hand, in *terra-cotta*, plaster of paris, or photographic form. One realizes on second thoughts that the extreme simplicity of the subject, and the naturalness of the artist’s handling of it are the real reasons why the work has taken so immensely. The form of reproduction most popular is of course in *terra-cotta* (Italian: baked clay), which style, after being almost completely lost sight of since the reign of Queen Anne, has within the last few years taken such a leading part in our architectural and purely ornamental works of art. The one now on view at Messrs Lane, Crawford & Co.’s is amongst the most artistic “Dirty Boy” we have seen, save, of course, the original, in the Paris Exhibition, which was “beyond compare.” This copy is a remarkably pretty and well-finished work of art, and would form a handsome addition to the decorative furniture of the best-provided house of the Colony.

The *Foochow Herald* states that it has been resolved to establish a Swimming Bath in the Settlement, and that a Committee, consisting of Messrs Rennie, Duncan, and Clyma, was selected to further the project. Mr De Lano, the United States Consul, had returned from a short holiday. The *Mamoi Arsenal* authorities are again reported to be in financial difficulties. The Japanese corvette *Nisshin* arrived on the 6th, the visit being presumably connected with the Loochooan tribute question. The *Herald* gives the following regarding Tea, under date of 12th:—

Arrivals of new season’s *Congou* are computed at 328,450 chests, and settlements—since the opening of the market (5th instant) to date—at 96,185 chests. Prices have ranged from Rs. 6 a 37 per picul (short). While this active business has taken place, there is one noteworthy and exceptionally redeeming feature in the outlook,—and that is, shipments have, so far at least, been made with some regard to requirements of the consuming markets. The S.S. *Agamemnon*, with the first direct cargo for London, sailed on the 10th instant, to be followed to-day by the S.S. *Glenecles*, and a few days later by the *Glenaloch* and *Ben Goe*. For Australia, the S.S. *Brisham* is under despatch to Melbourne, and the S.S. *Killarney* will follow in a few days with the first direct shipments to Sydney.

JUDGEMENT had not been given, when our last advices left Singapore, in the application to the Supreme Court to commit Major Dunlop and Major Grey, respectively Inspector General of Police and Superintendent of Prisons, for contempt of Court in furnishing evasive or defective returns to a writ of *habeas corpus*, served on them in the rendition case to which we referred yesterday in our leading columns. Meantime, our contemporary gives the following statement of the public feeling as to the action of Government, which exactly corresponds with what we wrote on the subject:—

seen swimming over from Nan-tai, and great consternation is felt among the villagers.

The law prohibiting opium smoking in Nevada, under a penalty of \$1,000 fine or two years’ imprisonment, went into effect on the 1st of May. We give elsewhere a brief article from an American contemporary as to the prevalence of the enslaving practice in Nevada, and amongst his people wherever they go.

The S. S. *Glenecles*, Captain Auld, the second vessel with cargo of new season’s tea, left Hankow at 1.45 a.m. on 29th May, passed Woosung Bar at 5.40 p.m. on 30th May, and arrived at Tanjong Paggar Wharf, Singapore, at 2.25 p.m. on 7th inst., thus making the voyage from Woosung in about 7 days 20 hours. After taking in 624 tons of coal in the extremely short time of three hours, she left at 6 p.m. on Saturday for London.

A Mr Benallah, who runs a magical entertainment, has arrived at Singapore. In all probability he comes this way. Welcoming his advent, which “will relieve the dull monotony of life here” (a very favourite expression of the *Straits Times*), our contemporary remarks that judging from the favourable criticisms in the Australian papers a rich treat will be afforded to those who patronise Mr Benallah’s entertainments.

His Imperial German Majesty’s steam corvette *Leipzig*, Captain Faschen, left the Singapore roads at daylight on the morning of the 10th for the Cape of Good Hope and Kiel. On her getting away the crews of H.M.S. *Encounter* and *Fly* and H.M.M.’s steamer *Merapi* manned the yards and gave three parting cheers, which were duly acknowledged from the *Leipzig*.

ONE or two items from our American exchanges are herewith added to our yesterday’s summary:—

London, May 13.—In the House of Commons last night, Dilwyn, Liberal, moved that in the opinion of the House it was necessary that the limits of the prerogative should be more strictly observed, so as to prevent Ministers, under cover of supposed personal interposition of the Sovereign, from withdrawing from cognizance of the House matters which are properly within the scope of its powers. Dilwyn, in his speech, pointed out as examples of such matters, the annexing of Transvaal, the dispatching of Indian troops to Malta, and the sending of a fleet to the Dardanelles.

Gladstone called attention to the fact that the House had already approved several acts of the Government which the motion proposed to censure. He regarded the allegations of the motion untimely, and not supported by fact.

Nithrope announced that the Government had decided to meet the motion by a direct negative. Referring to the imputations of no institutional action on the part of the Queen, conveyed in Dilwyn’s speech, he explained that Lord Lytton’s correspondence with H.R. Majesty was not political, it was merely a narrative of the movement of troops.

Gros, Home Secretary, announced that he was authorized to state that the letter of the Queen to Lady Ferriar was a mere general expression of sympathy.

Debate was adjourned for a week. The motion is certain to be overwhelmingly rejected.

Much confusion was caused by the motion, which, in its original form, implied that the Queen had acted unconstitutionally, being at the last moment remodelled into a simple vote of censure of the Ministers. The original motion would have met with even less support than the previous one.

The Metropolitan Board of Works, of London, after the recent experiment on the Thames embankment, find that electricity costs two and a quarter pence an hour per lamp more than the best gas, giving equal light. The report declares that the defects connected with the electric lighting must prevent its general adoption.

In an interview with a *Sun* reporter Mr Edison declares his electric light to be a complete success. He positively asserts that the light can be made three times cheaper than gas. “I mean,” he says, “that I can get three times as much light for three times less money to both parties.” The attempt to prevent his obtaining a patent in England failed. He is now getting a new set of patents in all foreign countries. He thinks that inside of two months, if nothing interferes, he will be able to make the whole thing a light.

The case will come before the Court again on the 26th instant.

REGINA v. CHAN ARING.—The prisoner was charged on two counts (1) larceny from the person of a pair of earrings, and (2) unlawfully wounding, being armed, with intent to do grievous bodily harm.

It may be remembered that this is the same man who committed the murderous assault on Sergeant Perry. Sergeant Perry has, we are glad to say, recovered from his wound, thanks to the care and skill of Dr. Wharry, but the injury he has sustained will have permanent ill effects. The prisoner is a slightly built man, of about 22 or 23 years of age; he pleaded not guilty.

The facts of the case are as follows: On the evening of the 12th ultimo, about 7 o’clock, a woman was robbed of her earrings in Tae Mi Lane, West Point. The thief ran out of the lane and along the Praya, the woman following in pursuit. She cried out “thief,” and a lokong, seeing a man running, joined in the chase; while the rascal, seeing things were getting a little warm for him on the Praya, turned into one of the side streets and emerged on the Queen’s Road; his pursuers were close after him, however, and he kept running. Sergeant Perry happened to be in the Queen’s Road, and seeing the man running attempted to arrest him, when the desperate wretch drew a knife or a dagger and stabbed Perry, who let go his hold for a moment, and the man started to run again. Perry seeing this exerted all his strength and struck the rascal over the head with a stick with such force that the stick snapped in two; this brought him to the ground, and Perry then handed him over to the care of a District Watchman. At this junction a Mr. Ivey made his appearance, and seeing the state Perry was in, tried to stop the blood which was running profusely from the wound. He then assisted the poor fellow to the Hospital. The knife had penetrated the lung, and the wound was consequently a very dangerous one. The prisoner was identified the next day by Perry, he having been placed with four other Chinese constable No. 449 and Sergeant Perry both swore positively to the prisoner’s identity. The Chinese constable gave evidence similar to that which he gave in the Police Court—of his having seen the prisoner running, his endeavouring to stop him, and being threatened with a knife, and finally to his

a moonlight night, and the prisoner, hearing the woman coming after him, turned round, and threatened to stab her if she followed him further. The woman at once recognized the man, and next day gave information to the police, mentioning the prisoner as the thief. The prisoner had meanwhile despatched, and returned to Hong Lam four days later. When arrested, he asked the woman not to speak the charge.

In defence the prisoner denied the charge, saying that he had had a quarrel with the son, and the woman had a grudge against him also, he having been instrumental in getting her husband into goal.

It appears the woman’s husband was in goal for being found in the unlawful possession of some old copper.

The jury found the prisoner guilty, and His Lordship sentenced him to two years’ imprisonment, four periods of fourteen days in each year to be in solitary confinement, the rest hard labour.

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The deceased was quite a lad, and was an apprentice to the prisoner who keeps a small carpenter’s shop in Wellington Street. When he found what had

occurred, in order to save trouble and avoid having the body opened,—an operation to which the Chinese appear to be greatly averse,—he reported to the Registrar General’s Department that death resulted from fever. The order for burial was obtained, and whilst the body was being conveyed to the burial ground, a cousin of the deceased’s came upon the scene and, in the hearing of a constable, that deceased died from taking opium. The constable stopped the burial, took the body, and all the people concerned, to the West Point Station, the result being a Coroner’s enquiry. Hence these proceedings.

The prisoner, a respectable-looking old man, pleaded guilty, and Mr Hayllar, instructed by Mr W. H. Breton, appeared to address the Court on his behalf.

He pointed out that the prisoner only acted in accordance with the prejudices of the Chinese who were much averse to having a body opened.

There was, he said, no sinister motive in anything the prisoner had done. He was of course morally and legally wrong, but he was a respectable man; he had had really no idea he was committing any very great offence, although it was of course necessary that the death should be reported correctly. He could call people to speak to the prisoner’s character. There was no suspicion of a sinister motive, no crime to hide, as the young man had taken away his own life.

In reply to His Lordship he said it was

the first case of the sort which had ever

come before the Court. His Lordship

should deal leniently with the case, it was quite within the discretion of the Court to inflict a fine for perjury.

His Lordship said he was of opinion that the case had been brought forward in order to deter others. He was at a loss to see

how to punish the prisoner.

The Acting Attorney General said he

knew from his own personal experience

that the Chinese were very averse to having

a body opened.

He thought that now the case had been brought so prominently before the Chinese, it was not likely to

occur again.

Two Chinese contractors were then called

to speak as to the respectability, and truthfulness of the prisoner, and the Acting

Registrar General (Mr Gerrard) was also

examined. He said the reports made by

Chinese regarding the cause of death were

generally correct, so far as he could ascer-

tain.

His Lordship said he really did not know

what punishment to inflict in this case.

He must take time to consider. He was

not sure he would have to imprison the man.

In the meantime he would be released on bail before a

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